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For: PIEZOELECTRIC DEVICES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 3-5 as follows:

3. (Amended) An amplifier comprising a device as claim in claim 1.

4. (Amended) A transformer comprising a device as claimed in claim 1.

5. (Amended) An inverter comprising a device as claimed in claim 1.
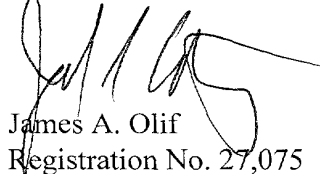
Please add new claims 8-10 as follows:

--8.   An amplifier comprising a device as claim in claim 2.--

--9.   A transformer comprising a device as claimed in claim 2.--

--10.   An inverter comprising a device as claimed in claim 2.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending. Claims 3-5 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and claims 8-10 are added to compensate for the subject matter deleted from claims 3-5. The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(ii)). Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

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APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

The following are marked-up versions of the amended claims:

3. (<u>Amended</u>) An amplifier comprising a device as claim in claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~.

4. (<u>Amended</u>) A transformer comprising a device as claimed in claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~.

5. (<u>Amended</u>) An inverter comprising a device as claimed in claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~.

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